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For: METHODS FOR OPERATING A )  
NON-VOLATILE MEMORY CELL )  
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed together with the above-referenced Continuation-in-Part application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

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